

# GREENBELT

## News Review

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### Holiday Tree Lighting to Kick Off City's Festival of Lights

by Barbara Young

The Festival of Lights, a month-long celebration of multicultural holiday traditions and events, will open with the turn of a switch to light the tree on Friday, December 3, at 7 p.m. outside the Greenbelt Municipal Building. Hosted by the City of Greenbelt and the Greenbelt Recreation Department, the tree-lighting and opening ceremonies will include selections by the Greenbelt Concert Band's brass choir.

Santa Claus will arrive at the Community Breakfast with Santa on Saturday, December 4, from 7 a.m. to noon at the Greenbelt Fire Hall. Hosted by the Greenbelt Lions Club, American Legion Post #136 and the Fire Department's Ladies Auxiliary, the breakfast will offer pancakes, sausage and beverages, and a chance to chat and take pictures with Santa. Advance tickets are discounted; for more information, call Joe Wilkinson at 301-474-6893.

#### Craft Sale and Demonstration

After the breakfast, on Saturday, December 4, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., the Recreation Department is hosting a craft show at

the Greenbelt Community Center. Over 50 craftspersons will exhibit their specialties, and a concession will be provided by the Greenbelt Arts Center. The craft show continues on Sunday, December 5, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., and is a grand opportunity to buy unusual Christmas gifts. Take note that a Children's Craft Room will be held also, from 1 to 2 p.m. on Saturday in the Community Center. This is a free event for pre-school and older children which gives parents a chance to shop. Craft demonstrations will take place on Sunday, December 5, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., also at the Community Center. This is a free event for all ages, hosted by the Recreation Department and Greenbelt Association for the Visual Arts, Inc.

#### Artists' Open House

Artists' studios on the second floor of the Community Center will be open from noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday, December 5. This is a good opportunity to watch the process of artistic creation including painting, collage, stained glass, jewelry and more.

#### More Visits with Santa

Pre-school to second grade students may chat (free) with

Santa on the phone on Tuesday, December 7 through Thursday, December 9, between 5:30 and 7 p.m. Parents must complete and return a flier by November 29 to Santa's special mailbox at the Youth Center. Fliers are available at city recreation centers.

Santa will visit in person at the Youth Center on Saturday, December 11, from 10 a.m. to noon. This is a free event for ages pre-school and up. Parents may bring a VHS tape and have the visit recorded on video. A pre-school lunch with Santa will also take place on Saturday, December 11, from 12:30-2 p.m. in the Youth Center. This event is for ages 3-5, and there is a fee; pre-register with the Recreation Department. (Children must be potty trained.)

Busy Santa will also come to a free children's party at the Greenbriar Community Building on Saturday, December 11, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. For information, call Tina Murphy at 301-441-1096.

#### Greenbelt East Tree-Lighting

The Eleanor Roosevelt High School choir will entertain at this event at the Greenbriar (See FESTIVAL, page 8)

### Beat The Rush

Please give us your copy on Mondays or at least by noon on Tuesdays. We are trying not to get swamped Tuesday nights.



During Veterans Day ceremony, Mayor Judith Davis adjusts city's wreath placed at Greenbelt's War Memorial in remembrance of those who served and died for our country in times of war.

— photo by Leigh Catterton

### Greenbelt Commemorates Nation's War Veterans

by Barry Bernstein

Some things in life should never be forgotten. Life does go on, but the men and women who served this nation are always remembered on Veterans Day. Greenbelt's ceremony was held at the war memorial on Centerway on Thursday, November 11 at 10 a.m.

It was a brisk, cold windy day, but that didn't stop the clusters of people, both young and old, who huddled together under store awnings. A semi-circle formed around a stage full of politicians and people who had served in the military. All were there for one purpose — to pay their respects to the veterans who risked their lives for this nation. An Air Force ROTC color guard from Eleanor Roosevelt High School (ERHS) joined the veterans.

The "Star-Spangled Banner" opened the ceremony, followed by speakers, the singing of "God Bless America," the placing of wreaths on the memorial statue, shots fired by an honor guard, and finally the playing of "Taps" by Katie Bensch of ERHS.

The sparse crowd was noted by Joseph Beam, commander of Greenbelt Post 136 of the American Legion. "I have a question to ask. Where are all the people? It's a little sad that most people alive during World War II are working today," he said.

State Senator Leo Green paraphrased President Franklin Roosevelt in reminding those

present that the United States does not build monuments to conquest but to commemorate those who sought peace.

"Veterans Day is a day of remembrance," Mary Conroy, Maryland state delegate, the next speaker, said, "and for that [we] are forever in their debt. Our flag does not fly by accident, it flies because of sacrifice. Those of us here today know what war is... it is the younger generation that must be taught about war; all the freedom they enjoy is their entitlement. Let's remind our youth that freedom is not free. We must always be on guard."

State Delegate Joan Pitkin followed, speaking of the need to contribute to the building of the World War II memorial (See VETERANS, page 5)

#### What Goes On

Thur., Nov. 25 and Fri., Nov. 26 Thanksgiving Holiday. City offices closed.

Tue., Nov. 30, 7 - 10 p.m. CRAB Meeting, Municipal Building

Thurs., Dec. 2, 7:30 p.m. GHI Board Meeting, Hamilton Place.

Fri., Dec. 3, 7 p.m. Holiday Tree Lighting, in front of Municipal Building

Sat., Dec. 4, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. and Sun., Dec. 5, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. Holiday Craft Show, Community Center



Standing L to R: Carmen Harris, 10th grade; Tanielle Tye, 10th grade; Rachel Elliott, 10th grade; Muna Anderson, 12th grade; Chelsey Lagerwerff, 11th grade; Caroline Humphrey, 12th grade; Matt Rendahl, 12th grade; Kendal Sparks, 9th grade; and Camille Castro, 9th grade. Seated L TO R: Devin Marshall, 11th grade; Dr. Gerald Boorman, principal; and Natalie Reaves, 11th grade.

### Students of Character Honored at ERHS

Eleanor Roosevelt High School, in its second year of its comprehensive Character Education program, is continuing to emphasize respect, responsibility, integrity, and kindness. One of the ways to learn about character and its components is to recognize those who possess good

character and to honor them for it.

The school's faculty and staff are proud to announce the Fall, 1999, Students of Character. These students have been individually nominated by teachers and confirmed by the entire faculty as they exemplify the highest standards of good character. They un-

compromisingly display respect to others. They act in responsible ways throughout the school and in their communities. They lead by positive example and routinely offer support and assistance to others in kind ways. Their integrity is a model for all to appreciate and follow.

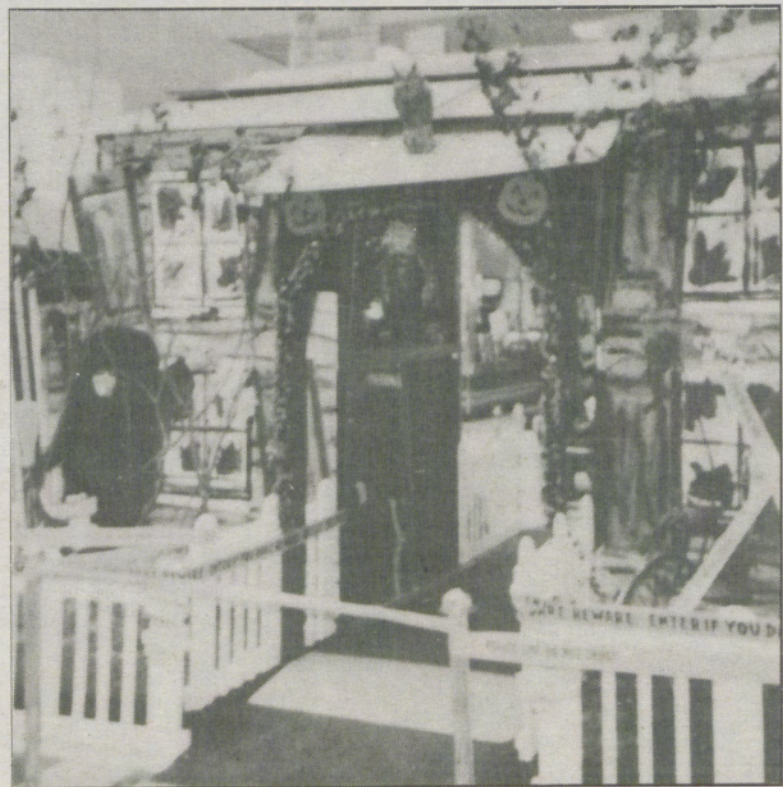


## Lazy and Delicious

In less than a week December will be here and still no sign of winter on the horizon — at least as these lines are written. One balmy day follows another, and not even a sweater is needed when we go outdoors. Is this Indian summer? No, it's too late for that; this is something different, something rare and precious. Maybe the cause is sunspot activity, maybe (one hopes not) global warming, maybe even the last lingering effect of La Nina. Who can tell?

No one really knows. All we can say for sure is that these days are lazy and delicious, and that Greenbelters are lingering over coffee at the cafe tables in the newly refurbished Roosevelt Center, raising their faces to the sun while pretending to read their newspapers. Let's take time to enjoy this glorious weather before winter clamps down on us with its icy grip.

## Letters



The haunted house that Jerry Healey and friends built at the Beltway Plaza.

-photo courtesy of Jerry Healey

## Thanks

My name is Jerry Healey, and my friends call me "Mr. Halloween" simply because of the things I do around the season. Every year I volunteer to do a haunted house for Beltway Plaza and most of the time I try to drag a few friends with me to make this event happen. I would now like these people to be known to all. First is Carol Lillis, a special person with a special talent unknown sometimes even to herself. For the past two years she has been a great asset as well as a friend to this affair. Her only words are "Jerry how about a little more notice next time." Second, we come to Mike McMullin, who is a very talented artist in the Greenbelt area who not only does a lot for our community youth (art-wise), but runs an artist studio of his own at the

Greenbelt Community Center. Joey Perize is a fine young artist who never stops learning. Look out, Picasso. I also had two carpenters help me construct the house, Carl Anton and Mr. Mark who did a great job.

Together we all made this happen once again and I give them two thumbs up. Due to you all, we had a great success!

Thank you.

Jerry Healey

## We Goofed

The News Review regrets that the name of Celia Craze, Greenbelt's Director of Planning and Community Development, was omitted from last week's article about the dedication of the Roosevelt Center. Craze's contribution to the occasion should have been acknowledged, since she orchestrated the event, as well as the restoration project itself. She also supervised the selection process by which Sharon Bradley-Papp was chosen as the landscape designer for the Center, and Sharon Koehler as the restorer of the Mother and Child statue.

## Henderson to Host Forum at DuVal High

District 2 Representative James E. Henderson of the Prince George's County Board of Education will host an Academic/Business Forum on Saturday, December 4, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at DuVal High School, 9880 Good Luck Road, Lanham.

Members of the District 2 community, which includes Greenbelt, are encouraged to attend, including parents, grandparents, guardians, teachers, principals, school administrators, school system employees, community and business leaders and elected officials.

Superintendent Iris T. Metts and her senior-level staff will make presentations throughout the day. Topics of discussion will include the Maryland School Performance Assessment Program (MSPAP), technology, career connections, and business/community partnerships. Two musical groups, a choir and a string quartet, will also perform.

For additional information call Nancy Pyles at 301-952-6116 or email questions to npyles@pgcps.org.

## Y2K Is the Topic Of City Meeting

On December 8, the City of Greenbelt will hold a public information meeting to discuss Greenbelt's Y2K compliance and readiness. The meeting will begin at 8 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room of the Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road. Media and citizens are encouraged to attend.

City staff, including representatives of the police department, will discuss the city's efforts to ensure that service delivery will not be interrupted due to Year 2000 compliance issues. The police department's efforts to ensure public safety throughout the New Year's celebration weekend will also be discussed. Other information will be available addressing the state's and county's Year 2000 readiness, as well as information for emergency preparedness in the home.

## The Old Curmudgeon



"I knew it was Thanksgiving Day....All the malls had their Christmas lights strung!"

## The New Deal Cafe Shows Local Artists

Potters are spinning their wheels in the Community Center. They are making mugs for the New Deal Cafe. Thanks to a donation from the Greenbelt Association for the Visual Arts, the New Deal Cafe is to receive 100 handmade ceramic mugs. "We are very excited about our new coffee mug service," said cafe president Pat Brent. "They will be a wonderful addition to our cafe."

In addition to featuring handmade pottery, the walls of the New Deal Cafe will serve as a gallery space for artists. "The New Deal Cafe has always been

a showcase for musicians," noted Brent. "Now, we'll showcase visual art as well, offering painters and illustrators the opportunity to feature their work in a community venue."

The cafe, a Greenbelt cooperative, is conducting a major fundraising campaign to relocate to its new space on Roosevelt Mall. To date, the cafe has reached the halfway point on its way toward its \$25,000 goal.

For more information or to send a donation please call 301-474-5642 or write: The New Deal Cafe, 113 Centerway, Greenbelt, MD 20770.

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DEADLINES: Letters, articles and ads—10 p.m. Tuesday. Materials for publication may be mailed to address above, deposited in our box in the Co-op grocery store (by 7 p.m. Tuesday) or brought to our office in the Community Center 15 Crescent Road during office hours. Mail subscriptions—\$32/year.

Greenbelt Community Center at 15 Crescent Rd.  
OFFICE HOURS: Monday 2 - 4 p.m., 8 - 10 p.m., Tuesday 8 - 10 p.m.

## Greenbelt Municipal/Public Access TV Channel B-10 Schedule

MUNICIPAL ACCESS-301-474-8000

Tuesday & Thursday, November 30 & December 2

6:00 p.m. Beltway Plaza Toys for Needy Children Parade

6:30 p.m. Leo Green, People & Places-U of MD Football

7:00 p.m. City Council Meeting - Replay of 11/22/99

PUBLIC ACCESS PROGRAMMING-301-507-6581

Wednesday & Friday, December 1 & December 3

Call for schedule.



## Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Center

Thanksgiving Day  
Thursday, November 25, 1999  
8 am-4 pm

Call 301-397-2204  
for more information



## Holiday Flea Market At SHL Elementary

Springhill Lake Elementary School announced its first Holiday Flea Market on Saturday, December 4, 8 a.m.-2 p.m. This planned community event will reflect the school's diverse population.

Tables may be purchased. Donations of items for the school to sell will be gladly accepted. All proceeds will fund incentives to promote student success.

Come and visit. For information call 301-513-5996.

## Greenbelt East Holds Toy Drive

Greenbriar and Glen Oaks, in conjunction with the Greenbelt Lions Club, will again sponsor a toy drive from December 1 - 17. Residents are asked to donate used toys (in good condition), or new toys. Toys will be distributed to underprivileged children throughout Greenbelt and children who are hospitalized. Drop boxes will be placed in the Greenbriar Community Building. For more information call Tina at 301-441-1096.

## Retailers Unite In Fundraiser

On Wednesday, December 1, Combined Properties, the management company for Greenway Center, will kick off a fundraising campaign to benefit the Children's National Medical Center. Called "Children's 1st, the campaign is in partnership with Washington Post columnist Bob Levey, who conducts an annual holiday campaign for the hospital.

Merchants at each of Combined Properties' 30 local shopping centers, including Greenway Center at 7537 Greenbelt Road, have been asked to donate 1% of all sales transacted that day or to make a contribution based on the square footage of their store. Combined Properties will match retailer donations. Coin canisters will be placed in all stores for several weeks, to involve the public in the campaign. The funds raised will be donated to Levey's holiday campaign.

## Toastmasters Seeks Members

Join Toastmasters to improve self-confidence, speaking and presentation skills, the ability to think quickly and clearly on one's feet, as well as listening and strong leadership skills. Toastmasters meets the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month at 7 p.m. at Greenbelt Library.

For more information contact Meena at 301-464-2117; e-mail meenasoma@aol.com.

## City Notes

The streets crew continued patching blacktop on Hanover Parkway and ground sidewalks to prevent tripping hazards along Southway, Lakecrest Drive, and Springhill Drive.

The special operations crew repaired the traffic counters and installed them at three locations on Greenbrook Drive, moved tables and chairs from LGIT in Columbia and the Police Department to the Community Center, and continued painting crosswalks and STOP lines around the City.

The parks crew continued leaf collection using the leaf vacuum, posted the area for next week, and collected chipper requests.

# Community Events

## Santa Claws Coming To Beltway Plaza

PetsMart of Beltway Plaza will host holiday events that allow pets and owners to celebrate the season and help homeless animals.

Santa Claws is coming to PetsMart stores to pose with companion animals for their holiday portraits Nov. 26, 27, and 28, and Dec. 4 and 5. Santa Claws welcomes all companion pets, including dogs, cats, hamsters, birds ... even snakes and lizards. In 1998, the Santa Claws program raised more than \$500,000 nationally for PetsMart charities and participating animal welfare groups.

PetsMart also sponsors a Wish Tree program for pets. Shoppers can select an item from the Wish Tree that is needed by a local shelter, buy that gift and donate it to an animal in need. Wish Trees will be decorated with Luv-A-Pet ornaments featuring a dog or cat in a holiday setting. Proceeds from the ornament sales benefit PetsMart charities.

## Come and Celebrate The End of Century

The National Park Service presents an "End of the Century Festival" on Saturday, December 4 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., at Greenbelt Park. The day will be filled with activities for children and adults to celebrate the end of the twentieth century.

Entertainment will include a variety of musical performances by the Moonlighters, presentations by the 54th Massachusetts Company B Civil War Living History Troop, the Piscataway Indians and the United States Park Police Canine Unit, Smokey the Bear and a clown for the kids, a puppet show, magicians and face painters. Hayrides are scheduled throughout the day. There will be free cotton candy and popcorn.

The festival will be held at the park's Sweetgum picnic area. For more information call the park at 301-344-3944.

## Park Has Reading Program for Kids

A children's reading program will be held featuring nature stories. Bring the children to Greenbelt Park on Saturday, November 27 at 2 p.m. Children in elementary and middle school are welcome. Parents or guardians must be present during the story reading program. The program will be held at the Park Ranger Station. For information call 301-344-3944.

## Golden Age Club

by Ruth Huggins

At the Nov. 17 meeting, birthday celebrants were Bernie Giese, Ed Griffin, Irv Siegel and Anna Stieger. Ellie Rimar, membership chair, presented Siegel with an honorary membership card. The birthday drawing was won by Ed Griffin. The 50/50 drawing was won by Rachel Algaze and Alberta Tompkins.

This reporter who also is a GIVES volunteer, along with volunteers John Taylor and Jean Bozzi had the privilege of working with five Eleanor Roosevelt High School (ERHS) students: Brittany Terult-Singleton, Kelly Haisfield, Kate Sullivan, Ning Ji and Mike Wilson along with the sponsor Richard Carrington, who raked the leaves of five different yards in Greenbelt. These are students of which ERHS can be proud.

## Our Neighbors

Our condolences to the Hensel family on the death of Richard Hensel.

For his composition for piano titled "Mystic Nile River," 11-year-old Alex Fischer of Rosewood Drive won first place in the elementary division of the annual statewide music composition sponsored by the Maryland State Music Teachers Association. Alex is a student of Dr. Hui-Yen Chang.

It's a girl for Ken and Elaine Baker. Brooke Ann was born on November 10 in Harrisburg, PA and weighed 6 lb., 4 oz. Her proud grandparents are Bob and Mary Ann Baker of Laurel Hill Road and Bert and Shirley Newcomb, from Los Altos, CA, who are visiting their newest granddaughter.

Congratulations to Mary and Dale Lehman of Laurel on the birth of their identical twins on November 19. Ryan Patrick weighed 3 lb., 12 oz., and Rory John weighed 2 lb., 14 oz. Ryan and Rory join their two-year-old sister Allison. The twins' grandparents are Irene and the late Richard Hensel of Greenbelt and Pat and Ray Lehman of Newville, PA. Ryan and Rory are the second set of twin grandchildren for the Hensel family.

Congratulations to Chelsey Lagerwerff and Muna Anderson who were among those selected as the Fall 1999 Students of Character by the Eleanor Roosevelt High School faculty and staff. Outstanding!

## At the Library

### Children's Programs

Tuesday, November 30  
P.J. Storytime at 7 p.m. for ages 4-6.

Thursday, December 2  
10:15 a.m. Drop-In Storytime for ages 3-5.

11:15 a.m. Toddler Time for two-year-olds and parent or caregiver.

### Adult Programs

Saturday, December 4  
Poetry Plus at 10:30 a.m. A reading and discussion group for adults.

## Gift Certificates Program Affordable

The Greenbelt Community Center will offer holiday gift certificates for sale throughout the month of December. Certificates will be redeemable for a broad range of arts activities sponsored by the Greenbelt Department of Recreation, the Greenbelt Association for the Visual Arts, and the Greenbelt Arts Center. The goal of the program is to offer affordable gift options for all ages which promote creativity, cultural exploration, and enjoyable social opportunities.

Certificates will be offered in several denominations. Residents may be surprised to learn how far their holiday shopping dollars will go including, for example, tickets to the Arts Center, or to Greenbelt New Year festivities, and several hours of children's drop-in art activities.

Gift certificates will be available at the main office of the Community Center from 8:30 a.m. until 5 p.m. seven days per week. Individuals planning to purchase certificates during the weekend are encouraged to call first and ask for Greg or Sarah. For additional program information, please call 301-397-2208.



Person to Person (on CD "Pre-lude")

## Person to Person At Arts Center

The Greenbelt Arts Center invited people to an evening of music ranging from jazz to rhythm and blues to ballads performed by Person to Person, a local band whose music has been played on WPFW, and whose second CD will be released in December. Selections from both CDs as well as Christmas and other music selections will be performed in a warm, intimate venue suited to Person to Person's soulful sound.

Early bird pricing of tickets is available for those who mail in a check (payable to the Greenbelt Arts Center) by November 28, or stop by the theater during the weekday box office hours of 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

The Greenbelt Arts Center is located at 123 Centerway, in the Roosevelt Shopping Center, next door to the post office. Checks for early bird tickets must be mailed to Greenbelt Arts Center, P.O. Box 293, Greenbelt, MD 20768-0293. For more information call 301-441-8770.



## PRELIMINARY AGENDA MEETING OF GHI BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Thursday, December 2, 1999 • 7:30 p.m.

GHI Board Room

### Key Agenda Items

- |  |            |
|--|------------|
| ◆ Woodlands Committee Charge                                 | Discussion |
| ◆ Ad-Hoc Electric Deregulation Committee Charge              | Discussion |
| ◆ Board Contributions Policy - Members & Committee Relations | Discussion |
| ◆ Committee Recommendations                                  |            |
| ◆ 2000 Expenditure Authorization #1                          | Action     |
- Regular Board meetings are open to members.

## City of Greenbelt Department of Public Works



This schedule may also be found at [www.ci.greenbelt.md.us](http://www.ci.greenbelt.md.us)

### LEAF VACUUM SCHEDULE

NOVEMBER 1-5	LAKESIDE
NOVEMBER 8-12	BOXWOOD
NOVEMBER 15-19	WOODLAND HILLS
NOVEMBER 22-24	LAKEWOOD
NOVEMBER 29-DECEMBER 3	LAKESIDE
DECEMBER 6-10	WOODLAND HILLS
DECEMBER 13-17	LAKEWOOD
DECEMBER 20-23	BOXWOOD
DECEMBER 27-30	LAKESIDE

Residents in these areas are reminded to please rake their leaves to the curb, but NOT INTO THE STREET. Also please help us keep the vacuum in working order by keeping stones, twigs and other debris away from the leaves.

Residents of GHI are reminded that all leaves MUST BE BAGGED and left on the service side. For GHI pick-up call 301-474-8004.

## OLD GREENBELT THEATRE



## BEING JOHN MALKOVICH

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Thur. 7:20, 9:40

Fri. (5:00 @ \$4.00) 7:20, 9:40

Sat. (2:45, 5:00 @ \$4.00)

7:20, 9:40

Sun. (2:45, 5:00 @ \$4.00)

7:20

Mon.-Thurs. 7:30

301-474-9744

301-474-9745

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Members of the Knights of Columbus dedicate the St. Hugh's Monument to the Unborn on November 7. L. to r., Michael Rousseau, John Winfrey, Fr. Thomas Crowley, Bill McMahon, Michael Burchick, and Thomas Lank.

### "Signing" Santa at Laurel Mall

Children who wished that Santa knew sign language can now visit a "signing" Santa at Laurel Mall on Saturdays December 4 and 11, 10-11 a.m.

Hard of hearing and deaf children and their parents are encouraged to visit the "signing" Santa so that they

may experience the feelings and joy of the holiday spirit.

This is also an opportunity for the hearing community to experience sign language in a very public way and learn some very basic signing skills.

Mrs. Claus and Santa's elves will also be there to provide fun and treats.

### Church Bell Tower Is Being Repaired

Passersby on Crescent Road may notice something different about the Greenbelt Community Church on the corner of Crescent and Hillside Roads. The bell tower is surrounded by a scaffold as repair work is being done to it. The capstone on top has been replaced and loose bricks and mortar are being replaced.

This is just the most visible part of major construction work now being done to the church. An elevator is being built in the church near the bell tower. This will make both floors of the church accessible to the handicapped.

The small building out back has had its interior gutted and new rooms are being built. This was the long time home of the Greenbelt Nursery School.

Work on the bell tower should be completed in a few weeks. The entire project should be done after the first of the year.

### AMI Support Group

A support group for families and friends who deal with mental illness will meet on December 1 (first Wednesday), in the Bowie City Hall, 2614 Kenhill Drive, Room 3 at 7 p.m. For information contact Jane Kelley at 301-577-6026.

### Enchanted Poinsettia Forest at Arboretum

Experience the magic of poinsettias grown and arranged in surprising ways at this unique seasonal exhibit at the U.S. National Arboretum Administration Building lobby through January 2, 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Children can hunt for hidden elves while adults admire the latest poinsettia fashions. Admission is free. For information call 202-245-4565.

### Paint Branch Unitarian Universalist Church

3215 Powder Mill Road.  
Beltsville/Adelphi (301-937-3666)

Welcomes you to our open,  
nurturing community  
November 28, 1999 - 9:30 & 11:15 a.m.

"One Scientist's View of Spirituality"  
by Jonathon F. Ormes



Barbara Wells and  
Jaco B. ten Hove,  
Co-ministers

### Web Page Help Needed at Park

Greenbelt Park, a unit of the National Park Service, is seeking a volunteer to help update and revise the park's web page. No training is available so web page experience is mandatory. Contact Park Ranger/Volunteer Coordinator Kevin P. Barry at 301-344-3944.

### Baha'i Faith

"Anybody can be happy in the state of comfort, ease, health, success, pleasure and joy; but if one will be happy and contented in the time of trouble, hardship and prevailing disease, it is the proof of nobility."

-Baha'i Sacred Writings

Greenbelt Baha'i Community  
P.O. Box 245  
Greenbelt, MD 20770  
301-345-2918 301-220-3160

Tune in Baha'i Radio every Saturday at 11 a.m. on WUST 1120 on the AM dial

Information about the Baha'i Faith is on the World Wide Web at <http://www.bahai.org/>

### Greenbelt Community Church

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST



Hillside & Crescent Roads

Phone: 301-474-6171 mornings

SUNDAY WORSHIP

10:15 a.m.

Daniel Hamlin, Pastor

"A church of the open mind, the warm heart,  
the aspiring soul, and the social vision..."



Catholic  
Community  
of Greenbelt  
MASS

Municipal Building Sundays  
10 A.M.



HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH

Friendly people worshipping God and serving their community

Worship Services 8:30 and 11:15 a.m.

Children's Church (ages 2 - 6) 8:30 - 9:30

Fellowship Hour 9:30

Sunday School 10:00



6905 Greenbelt Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770

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[www.erols.com/myholycross](http://www.erols.com/myholycross)

Rev. Stephen H. Mentz, Pastor (301) 345-5111

### FAITH MINISTRIES

40 Ridge Rd., Greenbelt (301) 441-4935

Saturday 7:30 - 9:00 P.M.: Prayer Meeting  
Sunday 4:00 - 7:00 P.M.: Worship Service

1. TOPIC: SIGNS OF SPIRITUAL MATURITY
2. DELIVERANCE SERVICE
3. HEALING SERVICE

YOU ARE WELCOME

Pastor Francis Gyemfi

### MASS SCHEDULE:

Sunday 8, 9:30, 11 a.m., 12:30 p.m.

Saturday 5 p.m.

Daily Mass: As announced

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 3:45-4:45 p.m.

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## OBITUARIES

### Marie Kistler

Greenbelt lost one of its most enthusiastic boosters last month with the death, at Suburban Hospital, of Marie Kistler, 80, a former "First Lady." Marie often said, "If you can have a love affair with a city, Greenbelt's the number one candidate." And it was love at first sight for Marie. Within two hours of driving into Greenbelt, she and husband Alan, later Mayor Kistler, were seated in the GHA office to join the housing Co-op and buy 7-B Crescent Road, where they and their three children were to live the next nine or ten years.

There was, she admitted, a subtle predisposition towards Greenbelt. She and Alan were students at Schenley High School in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, when the City was begun, to widespread notice—and controversy—during the second Franklin D. Roosevelt Administration. "Naturally, we were all FDR fans and young New Dealers at that age," Marie recalled, and followed reports of the City's progress with great interest until World War II diverted national attention.

The controversial aspect of the City's birth was fueled by conservative U.S. Senators who labelled it a political boondoggle, a foray into socialism, an open solicitation of votes, and an outrageous waste of taxpayers money, Marie stated. Ignored by such criticisms was the fact that nationally respected architects and town planners were producing innovative features such as underground utility wires, pedestrian underpasses, super blocks with interior commons grounds on which the front sides of houses face while rear facades fronted streetways.

Despite all those wonderful features, Marie observed, opponents continued to deride the emerging modern community, referring to it as, "Tugwell Town" and "Eleanor's Folly"; major local newspapers had great sport describing project workers as time-wasters who spent a lot of unproductive hours "leaning on rakes and shifting fallen leaves from one spot to another."

Stationed a few years later with the U.S. Army in England, Alan

viewed a documentary film, "The City", one of three notable works produced by Per Lorentz. After depicting cities around the world, including London and New York, the film speculated on the form and character of cities in the future. Greenbelt was presented as an ideal, future, showcase community.

Still later, after the War, when the Kistlers were looking for housing in the Washington area, a brother-in-law called to say he had heard a radio advertisement reporting the ongoing sale of houses in Greenbelt. The report stated that those houses were described as the best bargains in the metropolitan area. Acting on that information, the Kistlers came, saw, and were conquered. Again, perhaps, there was a predisposition towards that now much publicized City.

Publicized, Greenbelt was, as Marie learned while hosting visitors from abroad. A U.S. State Department representative involved with coordinating the itineraries of such delegates, informed Marie that most of the groups listed five places among their priority destinations: New York City, Washington, D.C., the Tennessee Valley Authority, Miami, and Greenbelt, Md.

Once settled in, Marie became active in a number of interests in the community and, initially, at St. Hugh's Church. There, she helped young members form a youth club, and a parish library. She organized two arts and crafts shows, tapping area artists. Branching out, she participated in programs centered at the Jewish Community Center, including a folk dancing group, and fostered small groups of Greenbelters traveling to Olney to view plays at Olney Theatre. Early on, she joined and promoted a cooperative, adult sitters service.

When tragedy struck several local families, Marie joined many other Greenbelters to help with special group therapy programs and to assist the families with long-term support systems. Those events demonstrated, Marie observed, the unusual, intense sense of widespread and genuine caring that to her mind characterized the

citizens of Greenbelt.

Pursuing her earlier interest in the parish-based teen club, Marie engaged in vigorous campaigning for passage of a bond issue to build a City Hall, Fire Station, and Youth Center. That year, municipalities all around the County voted down bond issues, but Greenbelt resisted the tide. In so doing, the voters overturned Greenbelt's history of debt-free existence. Some people credited Marie with being the catalyst of change. She had visited almost every registered voter, some two times.

Following the vote, Marie was appointed as a member of the Center Advisory Board in which capacity she worked with the building's architects. It was she who urged that the gym floor be of material that would allow use of roller skates, a suggestion that led to the forming of an adult skating program, sharing the facility with the teen age skaters on a weekly basis.

One of the dramatic moments in Greenbelt's history, as Marie remembered it, was the sudden development of the Cuban missile crisis Throughout the night and following day, military aircraft flew over the City on the way to their rendezvous points in the event they were flown into battle. Marie stated it made one understand what it must have felt like in England on D-Day.

After the Kistler family moved to Washington, D.C., in late 1961, Marie maintained her contacts with the City and friends there, returning for special events and celebrations such as the Labor Day weekend festival and 4th of July events and personal events of note.

One such important occasion was the memorial service for Charles Schwan to honor his many services and contributions to the City. After Al Herling's moving piano performance and the several appreciation statements, members of the audience were invited to make personal tributes in recognition of his service on the City Council and the Housing Board.

Marie rose to speak of Charles's achievements as a person

### Richard T. Hensel

Long time resident Richard Hensel, age 64, died on November 22, 1999 at Doctors Community Hospital.

Mr. Hensel is survived by his wife Irene B. Hensel; daughters and sons Gloria A. Hensel, Jeanne M. (Frank) Taylor, David A. (Colleen) Hensel, Mary A. (Dale) Lehman, Terese A. Hensel and Monica E. Hensel; grandchildren Timothy, Christopher, Brendan, Allison, Jack, Maranda and Michael, Ryan and Rory; brother Frances Lakey of Hickory, N.C. and nephew Kelly, and nieces Jennifer and Joey.

A mass of Christian burial will be celebrated at St. Hugh's Catholic Church on Saturday, Nov. 27 at 9 a.m. with Father Tappe officiating. Interment will be private. Arrangements were made by Borgwardt Funeral Home of Beltsville. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association, Southern Maryland District, 839-E Quince Orchard Blvd., Gaithersburg, MD 20878-1603.

as distinct from his public record. She described him as the most considerate and helpful neighbor, a devoted spouse and a loving, nurturing father of their three children. Continuing with here impromptu remarks, Marie said that Greenbelt has an unmatched ability to bring people like Charles Schwan to the fore to the benefit of the Community and an equal, unique capacity to create an environment in which families are nurtured and prosper.

Marie Kistler never lost her affection for Greenbelt and its people nor her appreciation of the many, special contributions this cooperative community made to her family and to all who have the good fortune to be part of this City.

## VETERANS

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on the Mall.

A few of the speakers reminded the audience about the sacrifices made during the Vietnam war. Some Vietnam vets were present, some in "Rolling Thunder" jackets.

Prince George's Councilmember Audrey Scott recounted the story about Senator John McCain (R-Ariz.) and his experience as a P.O.W. in Vietnam.

Several Greenbelt city council members also spoke about the special day, thanking veterans for their important role in their effect on every American living today.

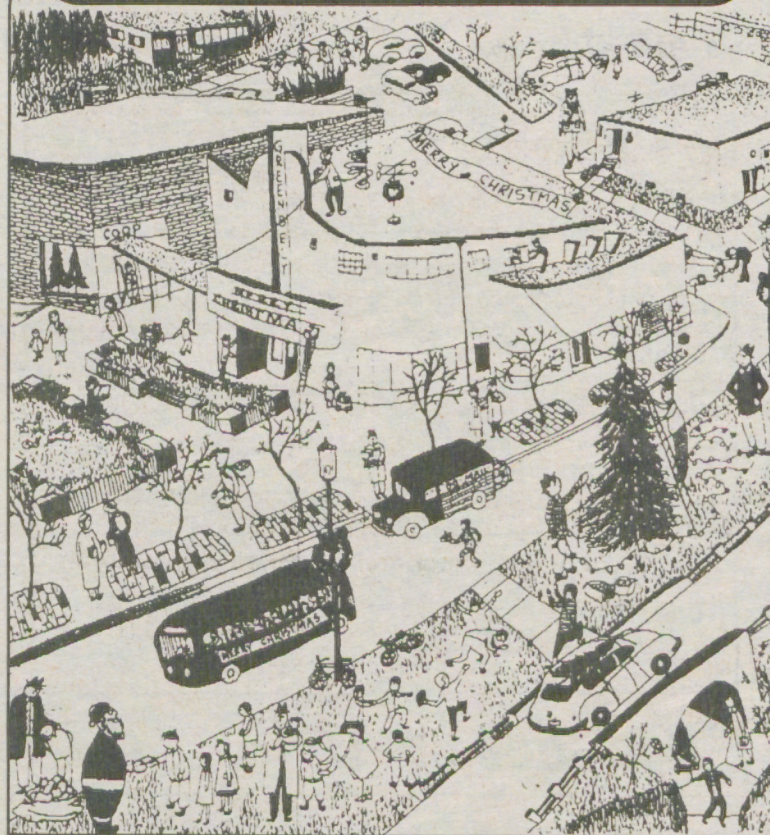
Mayor Judith Davis reminisced about her father who served in World War II and how he never spoke about what he did during his nearly four-year service.

"As most of you know," she said, "I lost my mother this summer and I got a chance to talk to my father about his adventures during World War II. He never spoke about it because he wasn't in the front lines. When we think about our veterans, we need to ask them what they did... no matter what they did and what war they were involved with," Mayor Davis said.

Finally, remarks were given by Col. Donald Wade, who has worked with the ROTC at ERHS for over nine years.

"We have a tendency to forget the veterans...we need to correct that. I had the opportunity to spend some time with General Shelton (of the Joint Chiefs of Staff). He expressed concern about the strength of our military and agreed that we have to do a better job protecting our servicemen and women with possible raises," Wade said. Stressing the importance of ROTC training, he continued by saying, "We will always be at threat of conflict."

## Get your holiday cards here!



New for 1999 – Friends of the Greenbelt Museum (FOGM) are selling a holiday card with a vintage cover drawing by Isador (Izzy) Parker. The holiday card, along with the millenium calendar, the Greenbelt cookbook - Greenbelt Cooks— Then and Now, pens, a new Greenbelt ornament and lots of toys are available at the Greenbelt Museum Gift Shop (open 1 - 5 Sundays) and at the FOGM table during the craft show, Dec. 4-5 at the Community Center. We will also be at the Co-op Grocery store weekends starting Dec. 11. For phone orders, call 301-474-1936.

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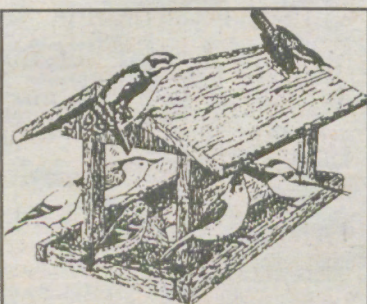
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## FESTIVAL

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Community Building on Sunday, December 12, at 7 p.m. Free for all ages. Hosted by the Greenbriar Community Association, information may be obtained from 301-441-1096.

All ages are welcome to enjoy the light show at Watkins Regional Park free on Thursday, December 16, at 7 p.m. and return to the Youth Center for goodies. This event is hosted by City of Greenbelt Park Rangers. Pre-registration is necessary.

### Dinners and Concerts

Gray Panthers and the Recreation Department are sponsoring a community potluck dinner on Saturday, December 18, from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Community Center. There is no fee. Bring a dish to share. For information call 301-474-6668.

Sunday, December 19, brings a free concert for all ages by the Greenbelt Concert Band, to be held in the Community Center at 3 p.m.

Also on Sunday, December 19, is a spaghetti dinner followed by a concert by the Combined Choir at Greenbelt Community Church. Supper is at 5:30 p.m. (there is a fee) and the concert at 7:30 p.m. is free.

Greenbriar Community Building is the locale for a free Senior Christmas Luncheon at noon on Tuesday, December 21. For information call 301-441-1096.

### New Year Activities

Countdown Camp for ages 6-12 will be held from Monday, December 27 through Thursday, December 30, from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and Friday, December 31 from 9 a.m. to noon at the Community Center. There is a fee. The Recreation Department invites young people from 6-12 to count down the final days of 1999 with crafts and rituals from around the world.

Greenbelt New Year '00 takes place Friday, December 31 to Saturday, January 1, from 6 p.m. to 1 a.m., at the Community Center. This is for all ages; there is a discount on advance ticket sales. Hosted by Greenbelt New Year Committee and the Recreation Department.

A Resolution Mile Swim will be held Saturday, January 1 at 11 a.m. for ages 16 and above at the Greenbelt Aquatic Center. Registration is required.

A 34th Annual Holiday Road Race will be held on Sunday, January 8, at 10 a.m. from the Greenbelt Youth Center. Runners choose either a 10- or 20-mile course. Register at 9 a.m. at the Youth Center. For information call 301-661-5019. This event is hosted by the D.C. Road Runners Club and the Recreation Department.

### Special Holiday Notes

New (unwrapped) toys may be brought as part of a Greenbelt Lions Club drive to: all city recreation facilities, Giant, Safeway, Bank of America, Windsor Green Community Building, Independence Court, Roosevelt Center, and the Gift Wrap Booth at Beltway Plaza. For information, call 301-442-3300.

Throughout December, gift certificates may be bought from the Recreation Department's main office in the Community Center. Give the gift of children and adult classes, musical and theatrical performances, and Countdown Camp.

## Nature Programs Listed for December

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Patuxent Research Refuge, announces the following interpretive programs for the month of December at the North Tract, on Rt. 198 between the Baltimore-Washington Parkway and Rt. 32 in Laurel:

**Bird Walk:** Sunday, December 12, 7-11 a.m. Ages 16 and older will learn to identify birds on this guided walk. Field guides and binoculars are recommended. Dress for outdoors.

**Bird Tour, "Looking for Winter Birds."** Wednesday, December 15, 8-10:30 a.m. Ages 16 and older will identify birds that winter on the Refuge on this guided van tour. Field guides and binoculars are recommended. Dress for outdoors.

Advanced registration is re-

quired. For both these programs call 410-674-3304.

Other programs are offered at the National Wildlife Visitor Center, with no registration required. Call 301-498-5898 for information. The Center is located on Powder Mill Road between the Baltimore-Washington Parkway and Rt. 197 in Laurel. The following programs will be held on December 26, 27 and 28 at the times indicated:

**On the Wild Side:** 11-11:45 a.m. Ages 4 and older will explore the differences between do-

mestic and wild animals through a puppet show and hands-on activities.

**Whose Clues?** 1-2 p.m. Ages 6 and older will discover some of the signs that wildlife leave behind during this interactive presentation and short guided walk. Dress for the outdoors.

**Whitetails in the Woods:** 3-4 p.m. Ages 8 and older will explore the habitats of deer and discover some of the issues affecting them and the animals that share their habitat. Dress for the outdoors.

## Laurel Exhibit Features Patuxent

A new exhibit, "The Power of the Patuxent: A River Builds a City," has opened at the Laurel Museum, 817 Main Street, Laurel. It traces the impact of the river on the town's growth and development and focuses on the city's involvement in cotton mill history. The free exhibit runs through December 22. There is a gift shop. The museum is open Sundays from 1 to 4 p.m. and Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. For more information call 301-725-7975.

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Asthma, also known as "reactive airway disease," is a temporary change in the lower respiratory tract, consisting of narrowing of the small airways, and thickening of mucus creating plugs resulting in obstruction. The cause may be some external agent to which the patient is allergic, or some intrinsic problem which is difficult to detect. When a person tries to move dry mucus through narrowed tubes on expiration, a wheeze is produced which is the hallmark of asthma.

Asthma is not just a disease, it is a way of life. Although some people outgrow their asthma completely, it is safest to assume that once an asthmatic, always an asthmatic. Such a person must be always on the lookout for allergy-causing agents and try to avoid them. CAUSE: Asthma is caused by a combination of factors: a hereditary propensity combined with agents that will trigger an attack. These may be inhalants, foods, pollutants, microorganisms (bacteria, viruses, fungi) climatic conditions (especially rapid change from warm to cold), exercise, laughter, and even emotional factors.

Asthma is currently divided into four arbitrary categories: mild intermittent, and mild, moderate and severe persistent. Treatment is dependent upon the category.

#### SYMPTOMS:

Asthma usually comes in attacks, which means that the patient suddenly starts to wheeze and cough, and has difficulty breathing. In severe asthma there is no wheeze because the air exchange is shallow. An asthma attack is a very frightening experience, and fast relief is highly desirable and can be life-saving.

#### TREATMENT:

The best, and most obvious, form of treatment is prevention. If it is possible to avoid the agent that from past experience will trigger an attack, one should do so. (If you are allergic to elephant hair, don't become an elephant trainer in a circus!) Foods which trigger wheezing should be avoided. The most common food allergens are: milk, eggs, citrus fruits, and wheat. Inhaling tobacco smoke, directly or indirectly, is very bad. Exposure to animal dander is a frequent cause of asthmatic attacks. If possible, one should avoid cats, guinea pigs, ferrets, hamsters, and dogs. During an attack, the child should remain in a clean, smoke-free, dust-free environment; remain calm, and rest in a semi-sitting position until the attack is over.

More formal forms of prevention consist of a visit to an allergist for the purpose of skin-testing, and, if eligible, desensitization therapy against inhalants to which the child is allergic. This is better and safer (and cheaper) than giving the patient dangerous drugs all the time.

Other forms of prevention include: Pneumovax vaccine (one or two per lifetime), and influenza vaccine (yearly).

Below is a list of drugs used to treat asthma at home:

**BETA-AGONISTS** are the mainstays of asthma therapy. They come in a variety of forms, and vary greatly in safety and efficacy. These drugs act by dilating the breathing tubes (bronchi). They act fast but dissipate fast. Their major side-effects are palpitations, and hyperactivity. The safest, and most effective way to deliver them are via nebulizer or metered dose inhaler (MDI). Even so, gross overuse can lead to fatalities. Another disadvantage is that they are to be given at least three times a day.

There is one long-acting drug in this family; salmeterol (Serevent). This must be used not more frequently than every twelve hours.

This group of drugs is also effective in preventing exercise-induced asthma.

**THEOPHYLLINE** (and **AMINOPHYLLINE**) are not used as frequently as in the past because of serious side-effects, and the need for repeated blood level determinations.

**CORTICOSTEROIDS** are anti-inflammatory agents. Since we now know that asthma is mainly an inflammatory disease, doctors will prescribe steroids together with beta-agonists at the beginning of the attack, and not wait till the child becomes very ill. They are most effective orally and intravenously, but they are also dangerous with prolonged use. Inhaled steroids are much safer and can be used for long periods of time. Steroids are used for acute attacks as well as for chronic asthma.

**CHROMONES**—cromolyn sodium (Intal) and nedocromil (Tilade) are strictly preventive in chronic asthma. They are unique among asthma medications in that they have no serious side-effects. The drugs are inhaled either via nebulizer, or metered-dose inhaler (MDI). Their major drawback is that they do not work against acute attacks. Their function is strictly preventive. They can also be used to prevent exercise-induced asthma.

**LEUKOTRIENE MODIFIERS**—Zafirlukast (Accolate), Montelukast (Singulair), and Zileuton are alternatives to the long-term prevention of mild and moderate persistent asthma. They are safe and effective replacements for inhaled corticosteroids and chromones. They come in tablet form (some are chewable). The most desirable is montelukast, because it is given once a day. Both of them may be given to children as young as six years. Zileuton is rarely used because of possible liver damage. Like the chromones, this group prevents inflammation. They cannot be used to treat acute attacks of asthma.

**ANTIHISTAMINES** should be used sparingly and very cautiously because they are drying agents for the mucous membranes. However, in some cases asthma is precipitated at night because of post-nasal drainage, and long-acting antihistamines at bed time can prevent that.

**ANTICHOLINERGICS** such as ipratropium are sometimes used against bronchospasm in asthma in the form of inhalation therapy, especially when beta-agonists do not work well.

In some cases asthmatic attacks are brought on by allergy to external agents. In such cases **ALLERGY SHOTS** are a good, safe way of preventing attacks.

Very rarely, outpatient therapy will fail in spite of our best efforts. In such a situation the patient will have to be hospitalized and closely monitored. He is treated with intravenous fluids and medications, and in some cases even general anesthesia.

It is essential that parents and patients learn all they can about asthma. It is not just an illness but a way of life! They should read some of the many books written for laymen about asthma. They should be constantly aware of the presence of agents and foods that can precipitate an attack, and avoid them if possible. Patients and parents should know the names of all medications the child is taking, and if away from home, have them in their possession. They should be able to give a clear and accurate description of the child's illness to anyone who needs to know (such as an emergency room physician). They should keep their appointments with their doctor, and follow instructions closely. If there is a problem (such as side-effects to the drugs), they should call the doctor immediately. If there is a change in the patient's situation or environment, they should inform the doctor as soon as possible. Asthma is a cooperative venture which involves the patient, parents, relatives, friends, and doctor or doctors.

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# POLICE BLOTTER

Based on information released by the Greenbelt Police Department. Dates and times are those when police were first contacted about incidents.

**Armed Robbery**  
9100 block of Edmonston Court, Nov. 12, 9:24 p.m., a pizza delivery person attempted to make a delivery at an apartment. When there was no answer at the door, he walked back to his car. He was then approached by a man who displayed a silver handgun and demanded money and pizza. The victim complied, and the robber fled the area on foot. The robber is described as a black male in his 20s, 6' tall, with a thin build and wearing a blue hooded sweat shirt and blue jeans.

**Drugs**  
7500 block of Greenbelt Road, Nov. 17, 8:42 p.m., an officer on patrol observed a vehicle that appeared to have been made to look like an unmarked police cruiser. The driver acted in a suspicious manner upon seeing the officer. When the officer attempted to pull the vehicle over, the driver refused to stop. Eventually it did stop in the parking lot of Greenway Shopping Center. The officer observed the passenger attempting to hide something inside the vehicle and when the passenger was asked to leave the vehicle, he threw a baggie containing suspected drug paraphernalia under the vehicle. When officers attempted to place the passenger under arrest, he assaulted one of the officers. This person, a 40-year-old male non-resident, was arrested and charged with second degree assault, resisting arrest, and possession of drug paraphernalia. The driver, a 38-year-old male nonresident, was cited for attempting to elude a uniformed police officer by failing to stop and failure to be properly re-

strained by a seatbelt. He was released on the scene and the passenger was released to the Department of Corrections for presentation before a court commissioner.

**Indecent Exposure**  
In the area of Canning Terrace and Mandan Road, Nov. 15, 10:48 p.m., a woman reported that she was walking home when she observed a man in the area. He began to walk alongside her while exposing himself to her. She ran from the scene and he fled the area. The suspect is described as black and in his 20s, 6', 160 lbs., with close-cropped black hair. He was wearing dark grey sweatpants and a white T-shirt.

**Unattended Child**  
9200 block of Edmonston Road, Nov. 16, 9:58 a.m., a 40-year-old female nonresident was arrested and charged with leaving an unattended child in a motor vehicle after an officer observed a 3-year-old child in the backseat of a parked vehicle with no one around. The woman was released on citation pending trial.

**Sex Offense**  
6200 block of Springhill Drive, Nov. 12, 6:08 p.m., two 7-year-olds were charged on petition with third degree sex offenses and released to their parents after an 11-year-old victim reported that the two had held her down and attempted to unsnap her pants. The victim was able to get away.

**Counterfeit Currency**  
Marriott Courtyard, Nov. 13, 3:30 a.m., a clerk reported that a customer had paid for a room with a counterfeit \$100 bill. An officer interviewed the occupants of the hotel room in question, a 29-year-

old nonresident and a 32-year-old nonresident. The U. S. Secret Service is currently investigating the incident.  
Radio Shack at Beltway Plaza Mall, Nov. 15, 2:18 p.m., police were told that a person paid for merchandise with a counterfeit \$50 bill.

**Burglary and Theft**  
16 court of Ridge Road, Nov. 14, 5:29 p.m., a green Pacific Manatee 21-speed mountain bike and a silver, red, yellow and black Royce Union mountain bike were taken from a backyard.

9300 block of Edmonston Road, 8:49 p.m., money was taken from a residence. Entry was gained by forcing open the kitchen window.

9300 block of Edmonston Road, 3:43 p.m. a laptop computer was taken from a residence. Entry was gained by opening a bedroom window.

7800 block of Mandan Road, Nov. 15, 7:22 p.m., maintenance tools were stolen from a vacant apartment.

9300 block of Edmonston Road, Nov. 18, 11:25 a.m., a man reported that he came home to find a man and a woman in his apartment in the process of removing property. Upon seeing the victim, the two fled the apartment, the woman pushing the victim out of the way. They left with several videotapes belonging to the victim. Investigation is continuing.


**Vehicle Crimes**  
The following vehicles were reported stolen: a red two-door 1985 Pontiac Grand Am with Maryland tag 134 BFV, Nov. 13, from the 400 block of Ridge Road; a blue 1994 Yamaha FZR600 motorcycle with California tag 14C0218, Nov. 13, from the 7800 block of Lakecrest Drive; a 1993 Honda Accord, Nov. 13, from the 6400 block of Ivy Lane, which was recovered in Riverdale on Nov. 16; a red four-door 1997 Dodge Stratus with Maryland tag

DSY 040, Nov. 14, from Beltway Plaza Mall; a blue four-door 1992 Cadillac Seville with Maryland tag GCK 622, Nov. 16, from the 9200 block of Edmonston Road; and a green four-door 1990 Honda Accord with Maryland tag REW 911, Nov. 16, from the 6400 block of Ivy Lane.

Vandalisms to, thefts from, and attempted thefts of vehicles were reported in the following areas: 6900 block of Hanover Parkway, 8100 block of Mandan Terrace, 7400 block of Greenbelt Road, Greenway Shopping Center, 100

**Public Hearing Held On Anacostia Trails**  
There will be a public hearing on a "Discussion of Preferred Alternatives" on the Anacostia Trails Heritage Area. It will be held Tuesday, November 30, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. at College Park City Hall, 4500 Knox Road in College Park. For directions call 301-864-8667.

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## GHI Pet Policies Revised; Pet Subcommittee Added

by Altoria Bell Ross

October 21, the Greenbelt Homes Board of Directors approved the charter for a pet subcommittee of the Member and Community Relations Committee. They also approved a revised pet policy that includes animal control ordinances of the city and Prince George's County. The board also changed its stance on pets that bite.

Pet regulations have existed in GHI since 1978, with revisions occurring in 1982, 1984, and 1988. According to GHI Member Services Director Joan Krob, a member complaint about a neighbor's dogs last year prompted a revisit of the policy. The

member questioned the board about the number of pets a member could own. The board referred the issue to the GHI Member and Community Relations committee for review.

In April, the committee recommended adding regulations to conform with city or county regulations and emphasizing pet ownership responsibility, such as the quality of care animals should receive as outlined in the "abuse" section of the updated policy. The committee decided not to deal with the number of pets a household could harbor, Krob said. Instead, the committee added the county animal hobby permit regulation allowing five or more animals larger than a guinea pig and over four-months old and the requirement that a pet of that age also have a license and current rabies vaccination.

The GHI committee also added the county regulation requiring all pit bulls to be registered with the County Animal Management Division plus a copy of the certificate on file with GHI to also be in-

cluded in the revised policy.

To enforce these regulations, Krob said the committee recommended that a subcommittee educate members and encourage them about their responsibility to care for their pets. The subcommittee will work with individual members at their request or by referral from either one or both sources, member services and the member complaints panel.

"When staff is made aware of specific pet problems they are, in most instances, resolved quickly," said Krob. "The most difficult issues are cases where lawns are or have been destroyed or reduced to mud holes and dust bowls because animals are left unattended in the yard for extended periods of time and in some cases where members fail to clean up properly after their pets."

A final change in the policy is the manner in which dogs that bite are handled. In the 1988 regulations, the pet owner was required to appear before the GHI staff to defend the pet's removal from the community. October's policy urges members to notify the Greenbelt Police directly at 301-474-7200.

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## Staff Reminisces about Day President Kennedy Was Shot

by Nelda Young

*(This newspaper's afternoon copy-editing group finished work early on Monday. There wasn't much news. Reporter Nelda Young took up paper and pencil and wrote the following story.)*

Where were you 36 years ago on November 22, 1963, when President John F. Kennedy was assassinated? Here are the answers some Greenbelt News Review staffers gave.

Virginia Beauchamp, senior copy editor and reporter, was in Nigeria with her then-husband George, who worked for the Agency for International Development. She said they were very blue when they heard. The embassy canceled all social events for one month, and the Beauchamps were not allowed to attend any social engagements during that time. They had been invited to a party for that evening to celebrate the birth of a child. Under the circumstances they had to deliver the present and leave immediately. Then they got in their motor boat and went out into the harbor to sit and talk. Outside Ambassador Palmer's official residence long lines formed to sign the mourning book.

On the fatal day one of Virginia Beauchamp's friends back in Washington was driving the president's daughter Caroline to a birthday party. When the news broke on the car radio, the woman quickly shut the radio off. She stopped the car and went back to the trailing Secret Service vehicle to tell them what she had heard. Both cars did a quick about-face back to the White House.

At the head of the funeral parade to Arlington Cemetery Master Sergeant Seamus Neary, Virginia Beauchamp's future son-in-law, was the Major Domo of the Air Force Band.

Alice Murray, copy editor, was in Niagara Falls, New York, that day working as a secretary for the Hooker Chemical Corporation. Her mother telephoned with the news. Work continued as usual till quitting time. Murray said the car pool was unusually quiet on the way home and the streets were deserted. For the next several days she sat riveted to the television.

Izzy Parker, the Curmudgeon, was in Riverdale working with the Planning Commission at Riversdale Mansion. When he went upstairs in the mansion, he heard that Kennedy had been shot. He said he felt his co-workers were not JFK supporters because they thought Kennedy was too sympathetic to blacks.

Barbara Young, copy editor and reporter, was working for the Federal Communications Commission at 12th and P Streets in the District. When someone told her Kennedy had been shot, she said, "Oh, come off it." Then more people came in with the same news. The government shut down early that day. She got on the bus to Roslyn, VA, and went home.

Judy Bell, typist, was 25 years old and at home in Greenbelt with her two young children. She put the girls down for their naps and sat down to watch "Barefoot Contessa" on television. The program was interrupted with the news. At first she did not take it seriously but then realized it was true. Her husband's uncle died and was

buried in Virginia the same day as JFK.

Barbara Likowski, assistant editor, was at home cleaning out a closet and listening to the radio. The news shocked and upset her. There was nothing to do but to finish the closet.

Mary Moien, reporter and photographer, was a student at the former Dunbarton College in the District. She and her fiancé, Barry, had just finished eating lunch at the Hot Shoppe on Connecticut Avenue. They were zipping back to her classes at Dunbarton when they heard the news on the car radio. Then they really rushed to the school to watch the television in Day Hop Lounge. All were gathered around the set. The lounge was silent except for the television. The school canceled the remaining classes prior to Thanksgiving.

Dorothy Sucher, senior copy

editor, reporter and former editor, was in Geneva, Switzerland, studying French. When a distraught person rushed in and announced Kennedy had been shot, everyone in the total-immersion class started talking about the event and listening to the radio.

Mary Lou Williamson, editor, was out shopping with her five-month-old daughter, mother-in-law, and her mother-in-law's older sister. When they came out of the department store, they heard "Extra-Extra-Extra — President Kennedy Shot!" They rushed home. That afternoon the two older women were so upset that they cut their visit short and went home to Atlanta. Williamson and her husband Jim sat on the floor in front of their new television set in Greenbelt for days. They had just moved into their new home at 45 Ridge Road.

My husband Frank and I were in the process of moving into a duplex apartment in Portales, New Mexico, that day. It was his first day as a reporter for the Portales News Tribune. As he passed the teletype, the bell began to sound. "Ding, ding, ding ..." Frank said to the editor, "The President has been shot." What? "The President has been shot!" The ribbon of tape was spreading across the newsroom floor as the staff stood reading the horrible news that the machine spewed forth.

Frank came by our apartment at noon and asked if I had been listening to the news. I said, "No." Then he told me Kennedy had been shot. I said incredulously, "you're kidding!" In a state of shock we walked and drove around the town recording the reactions of the people.

## Greenbelt CARES

Judye Hering held a tutor's workshop on campus at the University of Maryland on November 17. Topics discussed were the importance of doing homework, level of functioning versus academic grade level, and motivation techniques. Four tutors attended the workshop.

CARES will soon begin a 12-week domestic violence support group for people needing to address this serious problem. Helpful information, support tactics and guest speakers are planned. Those who are interested, know someone who might be, or who have questions may call Bonita James or Brenda Aker at 301-345-6660.

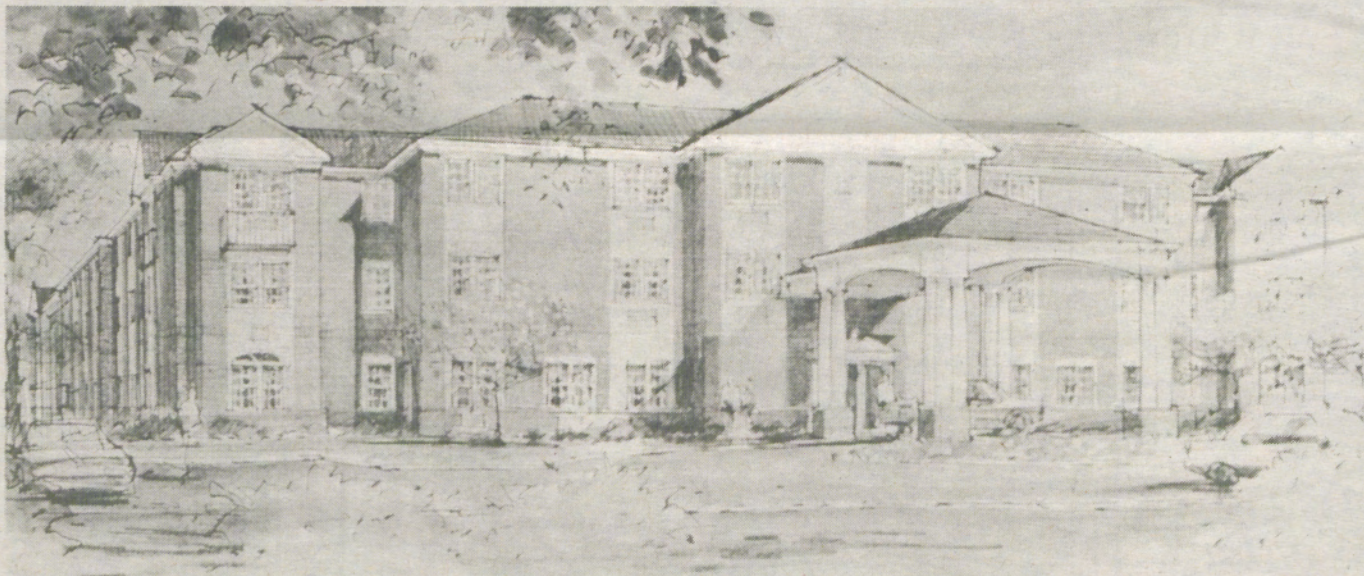
## Publicist Needed

The Friends of the Greenbelt Theatre are looking for a volunteer to help with publicity and promotion for upcoming events such as the Stanley Kubrick Film Festival in December. Anyone interested should call Sarah Schaffer at 301-397-2208.

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